

OSU Extension Has a Statewide Reach

Purpose

Ohio State University Extension connects Ohio State to the people of Ohio through offices in all 88 counties. Extension personnel engage with the citizens of Ohio to learn about their dreams, wishes, and desires.

In particular, OSU Extension specializes in mobilizing the resources of the land-grant university system and bringing them to bear on issues of local communities.

In this model, Extension serves as a two-way expressway between universities and communities that produces a mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge.

Impact

Last year OSU Extension reached nearly 212,000 of the state's most food insecure through its SNAP-Ed programming. The program helps participants in 69 counties make healthy food choices and increase physical activity.

OSU Extension is helping residents of food-insecure neighborhoods and communities grow their own food. In Cuyahoga County alone, Extension supports 239 community gardens that yield \$3.1 million of produce annually.

Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved
College of Food, Agricultural,
and Environmental Sciences
College of Education and
Human Ecology

Community Partners Involved
County governments
Municipalities
Nonprofits
Schools
Local food banks

The Ohio 4-H Youth Development program helps young people grow and develop in ways that lead to a positive and contributing adulthood. The program reaches 216,000 youth from all 88 Ohio counties.



How you can get involved:

- Visit your local county Extension office to volunteer
- Visit <http://extension.osu.edu/lao#county> to find an office
- Call 614-292-6181 for more information

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